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CASUALTY MESSAGE

E.O. 11652:N/A
TAGS: CDES, UK (BOUTILIER, DOUGLAS)
SUBJECT: DEATH OF USC DOUGLAS BOUTILIER

TO MS. KAREN BOUTILIER
RR1 BOX 315
MAHAPOISETT, MASS. 02739
TEL: (617) 758-4371

1. IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT I MUST CONFIRM TO YOU THE
DEATH OF YOUR FATHER, DOUGLAS BOUTILIER ON AUGUST 23,
1978. A FRIEND, MRS. GARNIER INFORMED THE AMERICAN
EMBASSY IN LONDON ON AUG 23, 1978 OF HIS DEATH FROM
INJURIES SUSTAINED IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

2. THE EMBASSY STANDS READY TO ASSIST YOU IN ANY WAY
WE CAN. IT IS UNFORTUNATE AT THIS SAD TIME THAT I MUST
ALSO IMMEDIATELY CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE URGENT NEED
FOR MAKING NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS. MOST AMERICANS
WHO DIE ABROAD ARE BURIED ABROAD. SHOULD YOU DECIDE TO
HAVE BURIAL TAKE PLACE IN BRITAIN THE EMBASSY AND LOCAL
OFFICIALS WILL TAKE EVERY POSSIBLE CARE TO FOLLOW YOUR
WISHES AS TO CEREMONY AND SITE OF BURIAL.

(A) THE COST FOR BURIAL IN BRITAIN IS APPROXIMATELY
DOLLARS 900.00.

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(B) THE COST FOR CREMATION AND DISPOSITION OF ASHES
IN BRITAIN IS APPROXIMATELY DOLLARS 600.00.

4. SHOULD YOU PREFER TO HAVE THE REMAINS RETURNED TO
THE U.S. FOR BURIAL, THE COSTS WOULD BE SUBSTANTIALLY
GREATER DUE TO THE HIGH COST OF AIR FREIGHT AND
EMBALMING.

- (A) THE TOTAL COST FOR PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT TO
MASS. IS APPROXIMATELY DOLLARS 1,350.00 (AIR
SHIPMENT DOLLARS 400.00 PREPARATION DOLLARS 950.00)
(B) THE COST FOR CREMATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF ASHES
IS APPROXIMATELY DOLLARS 600.00.

I MUST POINT OUT THAT PREPARATION AND SHIPMENT OF
REMAINS IS CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS
OF AND FACILITIES AVAILABLE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND IN
SOME CASES THE SERVICES DIFFER FROM THOSE EXPECTED IN
THE UNITED STATES. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR LOCAL
FUNERAL DIRECTOR BE ASKED TO DETERMINE THE ADVISABILITY
OF VIEWING THE REMAINS AFTER THE BODY ARRIVES IN THE
U.S.

5. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE
FOLLOWING ACTIONS: (A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY
AND DIRECTLY TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY LONDON AND INCLUDE
THE NAME OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. IF SHIPMENT
IS DESIRED, INCLUDE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE U.S.
FUNERAL HOME. (B) IN A SEPARATE TELEGRAM SEND REQUIRED
FUNDS VIA WESTERN UNION MONEY ORDER TO DEPARTMENT OF
STATE, SCS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20520, INCLUDING NAME OF
DECEASED, FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY

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IN LONDON. THE FUNERAL DIRECTOR YOU SELECT MAY BE ABLE TO OFFER YOU GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE. FOR ANY FURTHER INFORMATION YOU MAY REQUIRE, TELEPHONE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, SCS, WASHINGTON, D.C. TELEPHONE (202) 632-1423 OR 632-2172 DURING THE HOURS OF 9:00 AM AND 5:30 PM EST. AFTER THAT TIME (202) 655-4000.

6. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. HOWEVER DUE TO THE PROCESSING OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT, THERE WILL BE A THREE DAY INTERVAL BETWEEN RECEIPT OF FUNDS AND SHIPMENT OF THE REMAINS.

7. THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THE EMBASSY WILL TAKE CHARGE OF ALL PERSONAL EFFECTS AND AWAIT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS AS TO THEIR DISPOSITION.

8. AFTER COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, (USUALLY SIX TO EIGHT WEEKS), A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU. THIS DOCUMENT IS BASED ON THE BRITISH DEATH CERTIFICATE AND CAN BE USED IN U.S. COURTS TO SETTLE ESTATE MATTERS.

9. AFTER ALL THE MORTICIAN AND AIRLINES BILLS HAVE
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BEEN RECEIVED AND PAID YOU WILL BE SENT AN ITEMIZED ACCOUNTING OF FINAL COSTS AND ANY BALANCE WILL BE RETURNED TO THE DEPOSITOR OF THE FUNDS.

10. IF NECESSARY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION, OR CONSULAR DUTY OFFICER, OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY BY PHONING 01-499-9000 IN LONDON.

11. MAY I EXTEND MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.

CONSULAR SERVICES OFFICER
AMERICAN EMBASSY LONDON

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